

THE TREATMENT THEREOF

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

33. (currently amended) A method for assessing the efficacy of astrocytoma therapy in a subject who has undergone or is undergoing treatment for an astrocytoma, the method comprising assaying for CD81 expression a diagnostic sample ~~of cells~~ of astrocytic tumor cells of the subject, wherein no detection of expression of CD81 in astrocytic tumor cells of the subject is indicative of unsuccessful astrocytoma therapy.

34. (currently amended) The method of claim 33, wherein the diagnostic sample ~~of cells~~ of astrocytic tumor cells ~~lineage~~ of the subject is assayed *in vitro*.

A complete listing of all claims (1-64) in the application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 is attached hereto.

REMARKS

Claims 31-64 are pending in this application. By this amendment, applicant has amended the title of the application to be descriptive of the subject matter now claimed, and has amended claims 33 and 34 solely to clarify the wording of the claims. After amendment, claims 31-64 are currently pending. No new matter is added by the foregoing amendments. Thus, entry of the foregoing amendments, and reconsideration of this application in view of the current amendments and the remarks which follow, are respectfully requested.

